## **REMARKS**

The specification has been amended to reflect the national stage status. In addition, a typographical error has been corrected in a compound name which typographical error appeared in the original Japanese specification.

Favorable action on the merits is solicited.

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